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SUBJ: SOVIET VIEWS ON UNGA TOPICS: ITALIAN REPORT

1. AT POL COUNSELORS' MEETING AUGUST 21, ITALIAN REP, READ NG
FROM CABLES, DESCRIBED AUGUST 14-15 CONSULTATIONS ON UN MATTERS
BETWEEN ITALIAN MFA DESK OFFICER PISANI AND SOVIET MFA INTER-
NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR ISRAELYAN.

2. ACCORDING ITALIANS, ISRAELYAN SAID SOVIETS WERE GIVING TOP
PRIORITY TO DISARMAMENT AT UNGA AND EXPECTED IT TO DOMINATE
SESSION. HE PROMISED ITALIANS COPY OF DRAFT DECLARATION BEING
PREPARED FOR SUBMISSION UNDER AGENDA ITEM ON STRENGTHENING
INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AND SAID SOVIETS BELIEVED CSCE FINAL ACT
SHOULD BE CITED IN THIS CONTEXT, RATHER THAN SUBMITTED TO UNGA.

3. ON ISRAELI EXPULSION ISSUE, ITALIANS REPORTED SOVIETS AS
SAYING PROPOSAL LINKED TO ISRAELI AGGRESSIVENESS AND COULD BE
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AVOIDED ONLY BY PRESSURE ON ISRAELIS TO DESIST AND GO TO GENEVA. SOVIETS PRESENTED VIEW THAT EXPULSION POSSIBLE ONLY UNDER ARTICLES 6 OR 7, BUT THAT PAST SUSPENSION OF SAG DEL BY RULING OF UNGA PRESIDENT JUSTIFIABLE ON GROUNDS SAG DET NOT REPRESENTATIVE. (COMMENT: THIS IS MORE SPECIFIC THAN SOVIETS HAVE BEEN WITH OTHER WESTERNERS ON THIS ISSUE.)

4. ON CHARTER REVISION, IN WHICH ITALIANS INTERESTED, THEY REPORTED THAT SOVIETS MAINTAINED OPPOSITION BUT HAD ASKED UNGA PRESIDENT TO ADD ONE SEAT TO AD HOC COMMITTEE ON CHARTER REVISION TO PERMIT ROMANIA TO PARTICIPATE.

5. ON NEXT UNGA PRESIDENT, ITALIANS REPORTED CLEAR IMPRESSION THAT SOVIETS AWAITING FORMAL COMMUNICATION FROM OTHER GROUPS BEFORE TAKING STAND.

6. ON LDC RESTRUCTURING PROPOSALS, SOVIETS EVIDENTLY TOLD ITALIANS THEY OPPOSE THE REQUEST THAT THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION CONTINUE STUDYING RESTRUCTURING AND ESPECIALLY PROPOSAL TO CREATE NEW POST OF DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR DEVELOPMENT. ITALIANS' IMPRESSION, WHICH WE SHARE, IS THAT SOVIETS SERIOUSLY CONCERNED ABOUT INCREASING THE NUMBER OF TOP POSTS, INCREASING BUDGETS, AND HAVING TO PAY MORE, AND SINCERELY WISH TO COOPERATE ON SUCH ISSUES.
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